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Chair, Public Disclosure Commission  
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REF: Barbara Sperline Case #06-223

Dear Commissioners:

In 2003 and 2004, I was trying self-employment and temporary or part-time employment in order to obtain an income to help with family expenses. My mistake was in not using an accountant's services, as I had a very hard time figuring our personal and my business taxes. The February PDF filing dates went by while I was still struggling with the income figures and then were basically forgotten until fines were assessed and I had no funds to pay them. As bills piled up and searches for employment didn't prove fruitful, a desperation and depression began to set in.

I am still very actively seeking full-time employment so I can help with family expenses and start paying off these fines and charges. I am doing it with a much more positive mind set. My attention will go first to the \$690. penalty with the Attorney General's office, then to the assessments from this committee. We are having a very difficult time right now just covering housing, utilities and food expenses, but I can begin to make a \$25. per month payment. Upon finding employment, I will increase this monthly payment substantially to get these fines and penalties paid in full.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Barbara Sperline